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Media Advisory – For Planning Purposes Only

Monday, September 24, 2007

State of Minnesota v. Larry Edwin Craig

Hearing on Wednesday, September 26, 2007 in Edina, MN

A hearing on the motion *State of Minnesota v. Larry Edwin Craig* is scheduled on September 26, 2007 at 1:30 p.m. in courtroom 227 at 7009 York Avenue South, Edina, MN 55435. Fourth Judicial District Judge Charles A. Porter will preside over the hearing.

In addition to the media advisory dated September 13, 2007, the following is information to facilitate media coverage of the hearing:

Parking: Parking is limited and is available on a first-come, first-served basis. Arrival time for parking is available on Tuesday, September 25 at 9:00 a.m. and departure time is no later than 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 27, 2007, CST. Overnight parking for media only will be allowed on Tuesday and Wednesday nights only. Television stand-up locations may be located in the designated area on the north side of the Southdale Regional Service Center. Access to this area is via the 70th Street entrance only. Television satellite and microwave trucks must park in the designated media parking area on the north side of the Southdale Regional Service Center parking lot adjacent to 70th Street. Parking is perpendicular to 70th Street only.

To broadcast live from the courthouse, television news organizations must lay yellowjacket cable troughs, and must use the network-provided yellowjacket cable troughs where the cable run crosses the entrance to the parking lot and all pedestrian walking areas. News organizations may lay and remove cable during the course of the hearing.

All personal and rental cars must park in the designated media parking area in the southwest corner of the courthouse parking lot bordered by York Avenue. Please note that there is road construction on 69th and 70th Streets. No parking is allowed on the public streets adjacent to the courthouse. Strictly enforced.

Security: All reporters and visitors will be required to use the public entrance to the courthouse and are subject to weapons screening. The courtroom will be empty from 12:30 – 12:45 p.m.

Interviews and photographers: The bull pen is reserved for photographers only. No anchor, talent or live shots from the designated media bull pen are allowed. In the event of a media conference, media will provide stands with yellowjackets to be located in the center of the bull pen. Photographers are allowed to pan the area for coverage on site from 12:00 – 12:45 p.m. only. This is the only exception. All arrival and departure shots will occur from the bull pen. Interviewing or photographing from any parking lot island is forbidden.

Photo opportunity: Pre-registered media will be allowed to take photos and video of the empty courtroom prior to the hearing on the motion on Wednesday, September 26, 2007 from 12:00 p.m. to 12:30 p.m. There will not be another opportunity for courtroom photos. It is advised that photographers plan up to twenty minutes for weapons screening.

Reserved courtroom seating for members of the media: You will not be allowed to enter the courthouse with cellular telephones, Palm Pilots, Blackberry e-mail devices, pagers, cameras, tape recorders, laptop computers or any other electronic device. Potential weapons such as firearms, knives, pocket knives, scissors, letter openers, screw drivers, mace and pepper spray are also prohibited. The court has no facilities to store these items. Pre-registered media may begin weapons screening at 12:45 p.m.

Media, visitors and spectators in the courtroom will not be free to come and go pursuant to the rules of decorum, which will be set by Judge Porter at the opening of the hearing.

Restaurants near the courthouse: Several restaurants are located in shopping centers less than one block from the courthouse.

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